CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Amended claims: 1-9

1. (Currently Amended) A silicon ~~Silicon~~ rubber composition comprising a hydrocarbon extender oil, wherein the oil is a Fischer-Tropsch derived oil.

2. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber of ~~Composition according to~~ claim 1, wherein the kinematic viscosity at 40 °C of the oil is between 5 and 18 mm^2/sec.

3. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber of ~~Composition according to~~ claim 2, wherein the kinematic viscosity at 40 °C of the oil is between 5 and 12 mm^2/sec.

4. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber ~~Composition according to any one~~ of claims 1-~~3~~, wherein the pour point of the oil is below –20 °C.

5. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber ~~Composition according to any one~~ of claims 1-4, wherein the CN number of the oil as measured according to IEC 590 is between 15 and 30%.

6. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber ~~Composition according to any one~~ of claims 1-~~5~~, wherein the oil content in the composition is between 20 and 40 wt%.

7. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber ~~Composition according to any one~~ of claims 1-~~6~~, wherein the oil is obtained by a process comprising:

(a) hydrocracking/~~hydroisomerisating~~ hydroisomerizing a Fischer-Tropsch product~~,~~ ; and,

(b) separating the product of step (a) into at least one or more fuel fractions and an extender oil fraction.

8. (Currently Amended) The silicon rubber of ~~Composition according to~~ claim 7, wherein the extender oil has also been subjected to a catalytic dewaxing treatment.

9. (Currently Amended) A process ~~Process~~ to prepare a silicon rubber extender oil having a CN number as measured according to IEC 590 of between 15 and 30%, a kinematic viscosity at 40 °C of between 5 an 18 mm^2/sec ~~by~~ comprising:

(a) hydrocracking/ ~~hydroisomerisating~~ hydroisomerizing a Fischer-Tropsch product,

(b) separating the product of step (a) into at least one or more fuel fractions and an extender oil precursor fraction; and,

(c) reducing the pour point of the extender oil precursor fraction to obtain, optionally after separation of heavier and lighter by-products, the extender oil having a pour point of below – 20 °C.